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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- (Currently Amended) A method for the selection of one or more desired polypeptides comprising:
- providing a solid support having immobilized nucleic acid molecules thereon, cell free expression of nucleic acid molecules immobilized on a solid support system to produce polypeptides, the solid support comprising a binding molecule capable of interacting carrying means for biospecific interaction with at least the desired polypeptide or a molecule attached thereto;
- producing polypeptides from said immobilized nucleic acid molecules by cell free expression, said desired polypeptides interacting with said binding molecule; separation of the solid support carrying both the desired polypeptide and the nucleic acid encoding it; and optionally
- isolating the solid support carrying both the desired polypeptide and the nucleic acid encoding it; and optionally recovery of the said nucleic acid and/or said desired polypeptide.

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(d) recovering said nucleic acid and/or said desired polypeptide.

2. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the expressed polypeptides are fusion proteins.

3. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 2 wherein each fusion protein comprise a variable portion and a common portion.

- 4. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 3 wherein the common portion comprises an affinity fusion partner capable of interacting with said binding molecule whose cognate binding partner is immobilised on the solid support.
- 5. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 3 wherein the common portion comprises a reporter protein moiety.
- 6. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 3 wherein the variable portion is a member of a polypeptide library.

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7. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein steps (a), (b) and (c) (a) and (b) are performed iteratively for more than one cycle.

- 8. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 7 wherein steps (a),(b) and (c) (a) and (b) are performed between 2 and 20 times.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the solid support system is a particle particulate.
 - 10. (Canceled)
- 11. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the <u>binding molecule</u> immobilised means for biospecific interaction is a target molecule for the desired polypeptide.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the <u>binding molecule</u> <u>immobilised means for biospecific</u> interaction is a cognate binding partner for an affinity binding partner which forms a fusion protein with the desired polypeptide.

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13. (Currently Amended) A nucleic acid molecule or polypeptide when selected according to the method of claim 1.

Claims 14-17 (Canceled).